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UTILITY APPLICATION AND APPLICATION FEE TRANSMITTAL
(1.53(b))

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Named Inventor(s): SCOTT NEDDERMAN, JONATHAN TAYLOR, CHRISTOPHER LENZ

For: APPARATUS, SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MAINTAINING A PERSISTENT DATA STATE
ON A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

Enclosed are:

[X] 23 page(s) of specification, 1 page(s) of Abstract, 10 pages of Claims 1- 60

[X] 7 sheets of drawings [] formal [x] informal

[x] 7 page(s) of Declaration and Power of Attorney

[] unsigned
[x] Newly Executed
[] Copy from prior application

[] Deletion of inventors including Signed Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)(2)

[] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy or the combined declaration and power of attorney is supplied herein, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is incorporated herein by reference.

[] Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

[] _____ page(s) of Sequence Listing

[] computer readable disk containing Sequence Listing
[] Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) that computer and paper copies of the Sequence Listing are the same

[] Claim for Priority

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- English translation documents
- Information Disclosure Statement
- Copy of cited references
- Copy of PTO-1449
- Preliminary Amendment
- Return receipt postcard (MPEP 503)
- Assignment Papers (assignment cover sheet and assignment documents)
- A check in the amount of \$40.00 for recording the Assignment
- Assignment papers filed in parent application Serial No. _____
- Certification of chain of title pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)
- This is a [] continuation [] divisional [] continuation-in-part (C-I-P) of prior application serial no. _____
- Cancel in the application original claims _____ of the parent application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).
- A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this Amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application).
- The status of the parent application is as follows:
- A Petition for Extension of Time and a Fee therefor has been and is being filed in the parent application to extend the term for action in the parent application until _____.
- A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time in the co-pending parent application is attached.
- No Petition for Extension of Time and Fee therefor are necessary in the co-pending parent application.
- Please abandon the parent application at a time while the parent application is pending or at a time when the petition for extension of time in that application is granted and while this application is pending has been granted a filing date, so as to make this application co-pending.
- Transfer the drawing(s) from the parent application to this application.
- Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
This is a [] continuation [] divisional [] continuation-in-part of co-pending application Serial No. _____ filed _____

I. CALCULATION OF APPLICATION FEE (For Other Than a Small Entity)

				Basic Fee
	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	\$ 690.00
Total				
Claims	60	-20=	40	x\$18.00 \$ 720.00
Independent Claims	16	- 3=	13	x\$78.00 \$1014.00
Multiple Dependent Claims				
	[] yes		Additional Fee = \$260.00	
	[X] no		Additional Fee = NONE	\$ -0-
				TOTAL \$2424.00

[] A statement claiming small entity status is attached or has been filed in the above-identified parent application and its benefits under 37 C.F.R. 1.28(a) is hereby claimed. Reduced fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.95(F) (50% of total) paid herewith \$ _____.

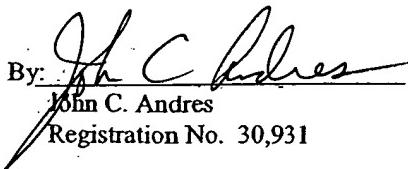
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[X] The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0712. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

Respectfully submitted,

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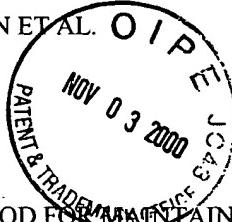
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